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FOR A/S TODMAN FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJ: GRENADA PRIME MINISTER GAIRY'S VISIT TO THE STATES

1. PM GAIRY TRANSITED BARBADOS EARLY YESTERDAY (SUNDAY, APRIL 17) ENROUTE TO MEXICO, VIA MIAMI, ACCOMPANIED BY MIN ED PERM SEC FABRIAN REDHEAD, AND DR. WELLINGTON FRIDAY, PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN. PURPOSE OF TRIP TO SPEAK TO CONFERENCE ON UFO'S AND PSYCHIC PHENOMENA, IN ACAPULCO.

2. HE LOOKS FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON APRIL 25, IN DEPARTMENT, FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION, ACCOMPANIED BY DR. FRIDAY. (PERM SEC REDHEAD MAY CONTINUE TO GUATEMALA TO ATTEND ECLA MEETING.) DURING MY INFORMAL CONVERSATION WITH HIM, HE CALLED ATTENTION TO THE VARIOUS ITEMS PROMISED BY CANADA (TYPEWRITERS) JAPAN AND FR/GERMANY (CARS), TO GOG FOR THE FORTHCOMING OASGA. I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT HE WILL AGAIN APPEAL TO US FOR SOME KIND OF ASSISTANCE TO ASSURE SUCCESS OF THE CONFERENCE. NOTHING TO OUR KNOWLEDGE SUGGESTS THAT IT WILL BE AN OVERWHELMING SUCCESS, AS NUMEROUS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BASIC ITEMS (CHAIRS, ETC.) STILL SEEM TO BE ON THE WAY.

3. I HAVE REASSURED THE PM THAT THE US ABIDES BY THE PREVIOUS OAS DECISION TO HOLD THE OASGA IN GRENADA, AND IS NOT ATTEMPTING TO CHANGE IT. SECONDLY, THAT WE WELCOME DISCUSSION OF ANY ITEMS DESIGNED TO IMPROVE OR MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS.

(HE HAS HIGH RESPECT FOR YOU PERSONALLY.)

4. I WILL BE LEAVING BARBADOS ON FRIDAY (4/22)
AND EXPECT TO BE AT DEPARTMENT ON CONSULTATION STARTING MONDAY (4/25) WHEN PM GAIRY TENTATIVELY PLANS OR HOPES TO MEET WITH YOU. IF YOU FEEL MY PRESENCE IS DESIRABLE AT YOUR MEETING, WILL BE PLEASED TO STAND READY, AND WILL AWAIT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS.
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